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In the application of:

Terry B. Snutch and David L. Baillie

Serial No.: 09/346,794

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For: NOVEL HUMAN CALCIUM

CHANNELS AND RELATED PROBES,

CELL LINES AND METHODS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicant petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for response to the Office action dated October 4, 2000. This extension will extend the time the response is due from November 3, 2000 to December 3, 2000.

- A one-month extension is requested; the extension fee is \$55.00.
- A check in the amount of \$55.00 is attached.
- Charge \$ to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. 381092000720.

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The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this petition, or to credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. <u>381092000720</u>. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: December 4, 2000

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